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For: **FRESH LEAF POWDER AND PROCESSED
PRODUCT, EXTRACT, OIL AND AROMA
OBTAINABLE FROM FRESH TEA LEAF
POWDER**

Examiner: H.T. MEHTA

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Supplementing Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on June 29, 2009, Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner Chinese publication, CN 1217886, which was cited in the Chinese Office Action for the corresponding Chinese Patent Application No. 2004800145700. Copies of the Chinese Office Action and its English translation and the Chinese Publication CN 1217886 and a translation of its abstract, were submitted on June 29, 2009. Accordingly, no copy of reference is attached with this submission. The IDS submitted on June 29, 2009 referenced the office action only on the PTO-1449 but included CN 1217886 and the translation of its abstract. Applicants submit this Supplemental IDS to confirm that the reference was considered by the Examiner.

Since the IDS submitted on June 29, 2009 was filed within three months from the mailing date of the communication from the Chinese Patent Office for Chinese Patent Application No. 2004800145700, no fee is believed to be due according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1). However, should the Patent Office determine otherwise, please charge the required fee to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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